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FOR SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY

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1. EMBASSY LEARNED FROM BRONEZ OF DOT WHEN HE WAS IN PARIS LATE JANUARY THAT FRENCH EMBASSY WASHINGTON HAD BEEN ASKED PREPARE PROGRAM FOR HERMAN-MONEY VISIT DIRECTLY WITH GOF SERVICES CONCERNED. SHORTLY THEREAFTER WE RECEIVED PHONE CALL FROM ISPHORDING OF FRENCH EMBASSY WASHINGTON, WHO WAS THEN IN PARIS, WHO CONFIRMED THAT INDEED HE WAS IN THE PROCESS OF PUTTING FINISHING TOUCHES ON PROPOSED PROGRAM. HE ASKED THAT EMBASSY DO NOTHING IN ORDER NOT COMPLICATE THE PROGRAMMING EFFORT. HE PROMISED TO CONTACT US FURTHER AND COMMUNICATE FINAL PROGRAM, BUT HE HAS NOT DONE SO AND WE UNDERSTAND THAT HE IS NOW BACK IN WASHINGTON.

2. IN MEANTIME, WE ARE BEING CONTACTED BY SNCF AND SURFACE TRANSPORT DIRECTORATE OF STATE SECRETARIAT OF TRANSPORTATION REGARDING SCHEDULING OF APPOINTMENTS AND SOME CONFUSION STILL SEEMED EXIST ON THEIR SIDE REGARDING DATES OF VISIT. WE HAVE CONFIRMED TO GOF REVISED DATES AS GIVEN REFS (B) AND (C).

3. SUGGEST DOT CONTACT ISPHORDING SOONEST SUGGESTING HE CLARIFY DIRECTLY WITH DOBIAS OF SURFACE TRANSPORT DIRECTORATE IN PARIS ANY REMAINING MISUNDERSTANDINGS
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